



Universal Design 2001

Universal Design can be achieved simply and inexpensively by incorporating five Universal Design features into all new housing construction.

These five essential features are:

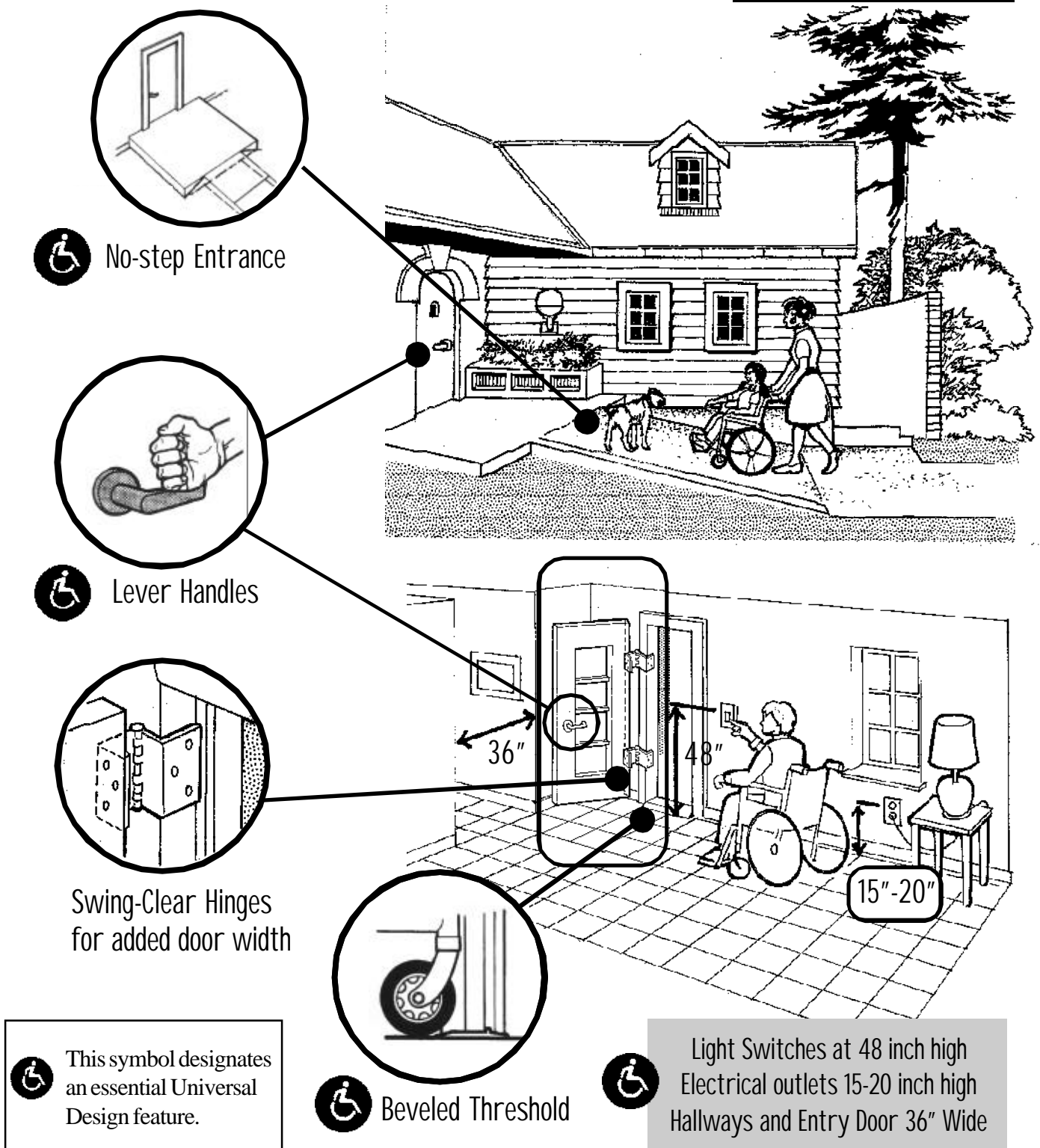
1. Provide one no-step entrance with beveled threshold. This may be at the front, side, or back of the house or a garage entrance.
2. Make doorways throughout the home at least 32 inches wide; hallways at least 36 inches clear width.
3. Reinforce walls around the toilet, bathtub and shower stall so that grab bars may be added later, if needed.
4. Install light switches and electrical controls no higher than 48 inches and, electrical plugs no lower than 15 inches above the floor.
5. Install lever handles on exterior and interior doors and on sinks.



These five essential features are identified by this symbol throughout the attached Universal By Design illustrations. Optional features to enhance livability are also illustrated.

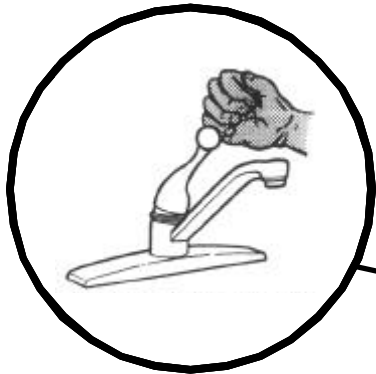
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Universal by Design / Entrances

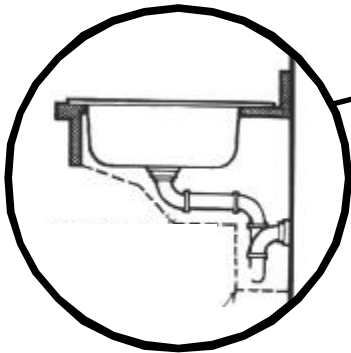


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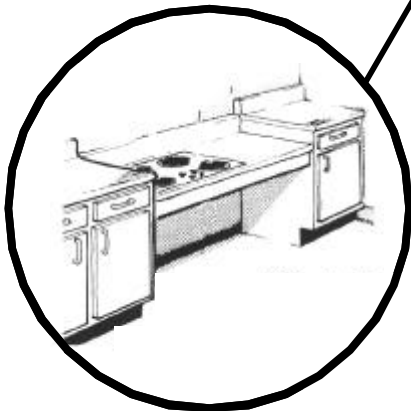
Universal by Design / **Kitchens**



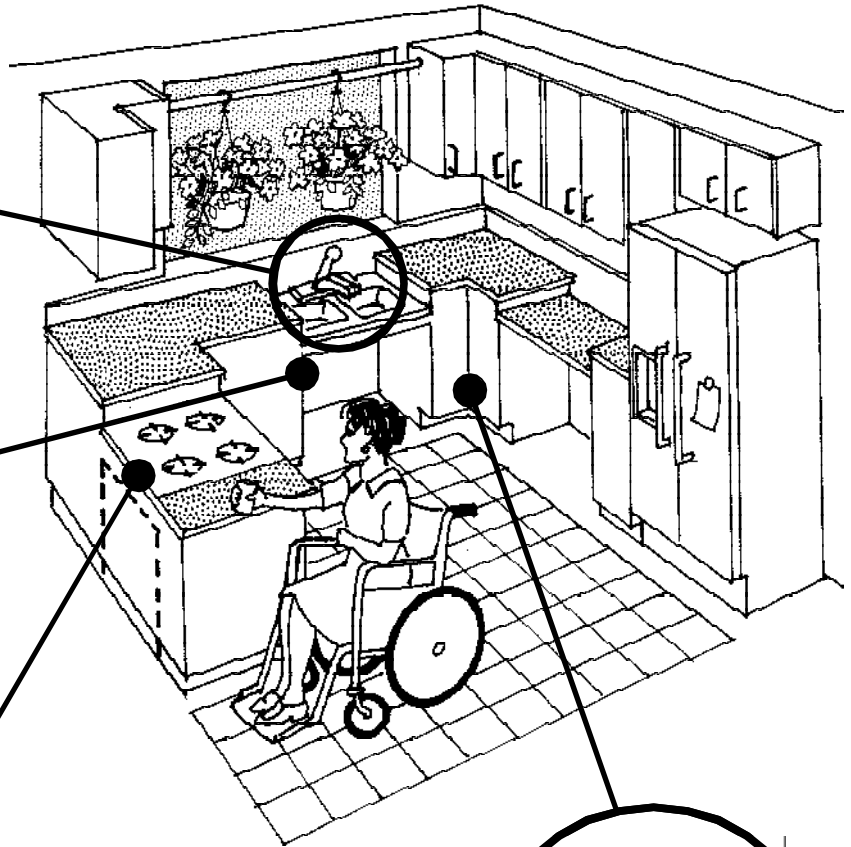
 Lever Faucet Handles



Lowered Counter Top Sink
with Pipe Protection



Lowered Cooktop and
Counter Segment

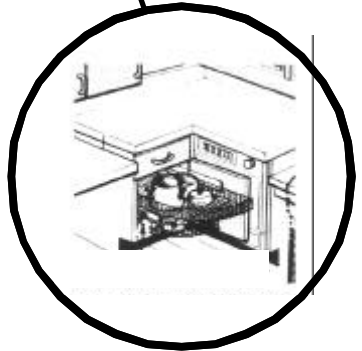


Lower Appliances and
Storage Areas

Roll Under Countertops



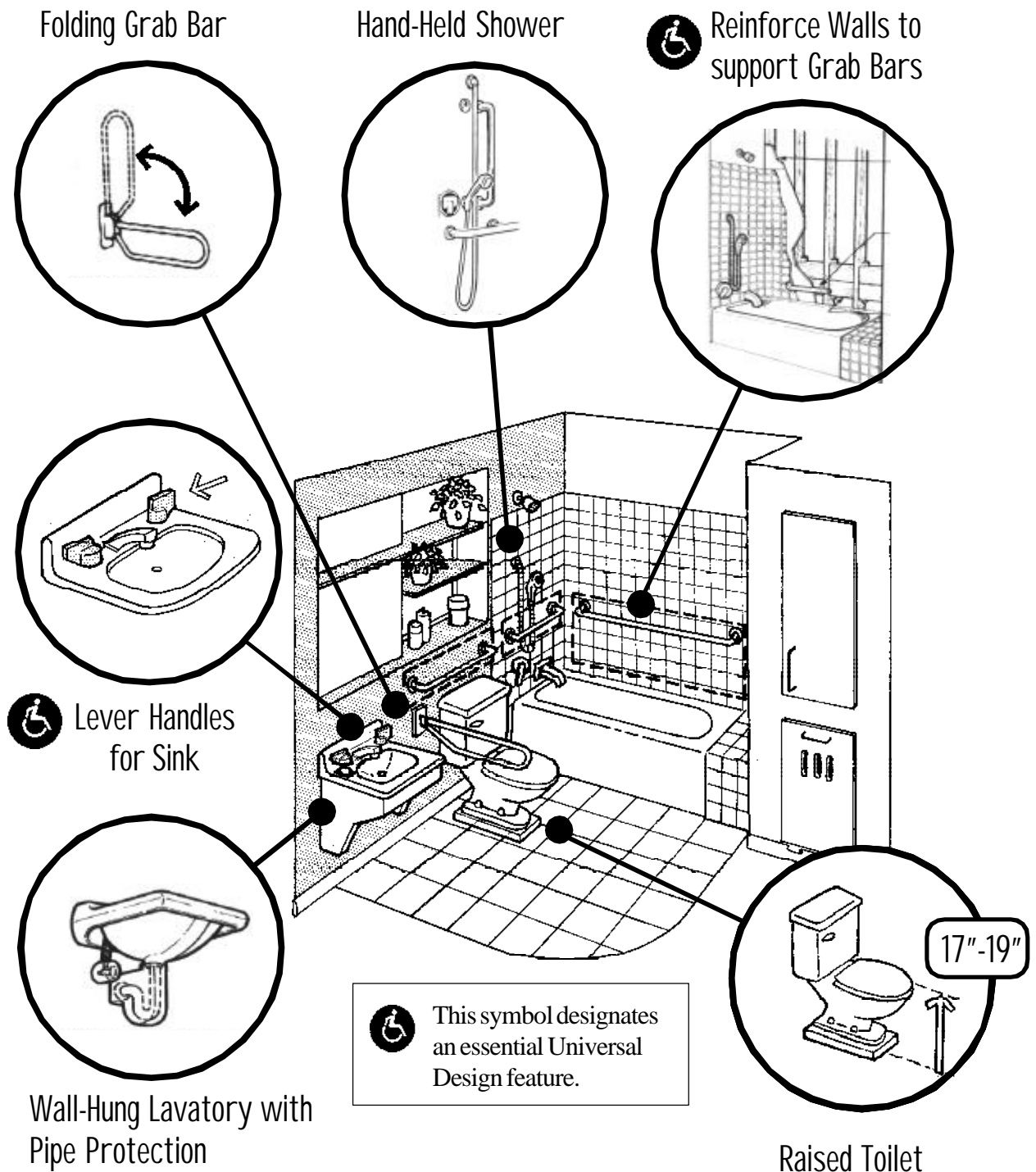
This symbol designates
an essential
Universal Design feature.



Under Counter
Pull-out Cabinets

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Universal by Design / **Bathrooms**



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